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## Mission Statement

### To enhance the quality of life for seniors in Arizona.

The Governor's Advisory Council on Aging was established by authority of the Arizona State Legislature in 1980 to advise the Governor, the Legislature and "all State Departments which the Council deems necessary on all matters and issues relating to aging, including the administration of the State Plan on Aging."<sup>\*</sup>

The Council has provided more than 20 years of dedicated service.

\* ARS 46-184

## Vision

### To be the leading advocate impacting public policy, issues and program development for seniors in Arizona.

## Role Statement

The Council is dedicated to the review of state policies, service delivery systems and programs to improve the role of older Arizonans in the social, cultural, economic and political life of the state. To meet its responsibility, the Council:

1. Reports regularly to the Governor on issues concerning aging, takes positions and coordinates activities related to aging programs and policies.
2. Reviews the development and implementation of the State Plan on Aging and reports thereon to the Governor and Legislature.
3. Advises state governmental agencies on issues and legislation affecting elders.
4. Provides leadership to bring governmental agencies,
5. Promotes education of the public on needs, concerns and interests of older Arizonans.
6. Maintains a communication network with state, federal and local agencies and community programs helping older adults.
7. Reviews Council functions and resets priorities on a regular basis.
8. Advocates for the protection of vulnerable adults.
9. Promotes community information and gathers information from the consumers of aging services.